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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application. Please amend claim 1 as shown in the listing of claims below:

- 1. (currently amended) A sense amplifier, comprising:
 - a sampling circuit receiving an input signal to the sense amplifier;
 - a reference node operable to store a reference signal corresponding to the input data;
 - a timing circuit activating the sampling circuit a predetermined interval before

measurement of the input signal is to be taken, the sampling circuit admitting the input signal to the reference node thereby.

- 2-4. (canceled)
- 5. (previously presented) A method of sensing input data comprising:

receiving an input signal;

admitting the input signal to a reference node a predetermined interval before measurement of the input signal is to be taken; and

storing the input signal admitted to the reference node as a reference signal.

- 6. (previously presented) The method of claim 5 wherein receiving an input signal comprises receiving the input signal at a sampling circuit.
- 7. (previously presented) The method of claim 6 wherein admitting the input signal to a reference node comprises activating the sampling circuit a predetermined interval before measurement of the input signal is to be taken.
- 8. (previously presented) The method of claim 5 further comprising measuring the input signal the predetermined interval after admitting the input signal to the reference node.